

Corbicula fluminea

Asian clam

General

1. Freshwater clam growing to 50mm

Geography and Habitat

- Native: Asia
 Habitats
 - Found in freshwater areas to high salinity areas
 - From tropical to cold temperatures
 - Most subtidal but has been found in the intertidal zone
 - Lakes and streams with all sizes of silt, mud, sand, and gravel substrata
 - Intolerant of pollution
 - Tolerates temperatures from 2°C—30°C



Photo: Noel Burkhead, USGS http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/factsheet.aspx?speciesid=92

Invasion Pathways

1. Ship ballast water release

Sources

- 1. http://www.issg.org/database/species/ecology.asp?si=537&fr=1&sts=sss&lang=EN
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